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SF Phosphates Limited Company

A Utah Limited Liability Company

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April 18, 2000

Opalonia Abeyta
United States Department of the Interior
Bureau of Land Management
Utah State Office
P.O. Box 45155
Salt Lake City, UT 84145-0155

RE: Reclamation Bonding; SF Phosphates LC. UTU76097

Dear Ms Abeyta:

SF Phosphates Limited Company (SF) requests an extension of time to secure bonding for future disturbances associated with our tailings disposal facility. On November 5, 1999 your office granted an extension for bond acquisition through the Utah Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining (DOGM). At that time a reclamation plan revision was being prepared to submit to DOGM. Currently, the revision has been submitted to DOGM, but has not been approved. As much as 180 additional days may be required to complete the bonding process. No disturbance will occur on public ground until approximately 2005.

If you have questions or need additional information please contact me at 435-781-3348.

Sincerely,

Ron Ryan
Environmental/Reclamation Specialist

Cc: Anthony Gallegos, UDOGM
Pete Sokolosky, BLM Vernal Field Office
Miles Weaver, SF Mine Manager

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